

## JUST GLEANINGS

### SUN SPOTS AFFECT RADIO

A sun spot played hob with world communications Sunday, disrupting service throughout Canada and the United States, and cutting this continent off from Europe for several hours. Western Canada listeners found radio network features thrown off the air, while telegraph, long-distance phone and news service lines were disrupted. Short wave radio was cut out completely by the electrical disturbance.

### 32 NAZI PLANES RUINED, SYLT

LONDON—Thirty-two German airplanes were destroyed by bombs during the Royal Air Force raid on Sylt last week, the German "Freeman Press" said last Saturday in a broadcast. The account of the raid originated with a "secret German wire" witness who was on the spot and that "it confirms the reports of British aviators and shatters all the propaganda efforts of the Nazis to diminish the effect of the raid."

### SEA PLANE BASE FOR CALGARY

The Dominion government is buying land south of Chestermere Lake, 12 miles east of Calgary, supposedly for a sea plane base planned on the lake. According to reports circulated recently, it was reported that three farmers have sold land to the department of national defence. Farmers of the area involved were non-committal on the reports. The surrounding country is flat and suitable for airport purposes.

### SMUGGLING ATTEMPTS IN INTERMONT CAMPBELL

It has been made a punishable offence under the War Regulations Act to smuggle letters, newspapers, clipings and other articles in or out of Internment Camps in Canada, according to an order issued recently by Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Acting Secretary of State. This becomes necessary after various attempts were made to evade camp censorship. Contravention of this order will be punished on summary conviction by a fine not exceeding \$500 or twelve months imprisonment. Conviction under the act allows for a fine not exceeding \$500 or five years imprisonment.

### METHOD OF ENTRY HAS BEEN CHANGED, R.C.A.F.

Under the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan, the only method of entry to the Special Reserve of the Royal Canadian Air Force for elementary training will be through enlistment for appointment as a general list. It will still be received from experienced pilots, presumably with at least 200 hours of flying experience to their credit.

### CARD OF THANKS

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## RESULT OF THE ALBERTA ELECTION IS STILL IN DOUBT ON WEDNESDAY

### Social Credit Will Have Largest Group

The elections are over for another five years and the results show that Social Credit has still a strong grip on many Al-Britans. With many seats still in doubt the results show that the Social Crediters will have the largest number of supporters in the house and will probably form the next government of the province.

#### Standing of parties is as follows:

Social Credit .....	23
Independents .....	15
Labour .....	1
Social Credit leading .....	14
Independents leading .....	4

Despite bad roads throughout the country a record vote was cast and while the Independent vote exceeded the Social Credit vote on the first count the second choice votes in many counties decided the issue.

In Calgary Mayor Andy Davidson surveyed this week. There were two hard core behind. In this constituency, two Social Crediters and three Independents were elected. In Edmonton also, two Social Crediters and three Independents were elected.

The C.C.F. party polled a fairly good vote but failed to elect a single representative.

#### FORTY-SEVEN LOSE DEPOSITS

Forty-seven of 165 candidates in the Alberta election lost their deposits, survey showed this week. The total included five members of the last legislature and four of the seven women candidates. In the 1926 election 130 of the 240 candidates lost their deposits.

This election's total of 47 included five winners where the count is incomplete but none of the five appear to have any chance of saving the \$100 cash candidate savings with nomination moneys.

A candidate loses his deposit in the single-member riding when he fails to obtain 20 per cent of the total vote and in the five-member constituencies of Calgary and Edmonton when he does not receive 25 per cent of the vote.

#### PRE-WAR PROPAGANDA BY HITLER REVEALED

Every case of German goods entering Canada during the last few years before the war contained Nazi propaganda of some description or other, according to J.S. Ross, wartime Examiner of Publications and Director of Publicity, Customs Division, Department of National Revenue.

German Novelties, for instance, revealed, upon inspection, camouflage layers of leaflets extolling the Nazi creed and the Hitler Creed. Phonograph records of the Fuhrer's vitriolic speeches were often found among the shipments. A virtual roll of "propaganda" had been smuggled at Customs by Customs Inspectors.

## "WHEN WINTER COMES, CAN SPRING BE FAR BEHIND?"

Spring was officially recorded on March 21 at most of all indications the seasons have become mixed and winter actually appears to be setting in. Considerable snow has fallen during the past ten days, and while temperatures have remained moderate, the weather has been disagreeable. Country roads are blocked in many places by the drifting snow, and the highway from the Service Station to Drumheller was closed Tuesday due to drifts of snow. Many voters were unable to get in to vote on election day, March 26, due to road conditions.

## E. M. BROWN ELECTED OVER E. P. FOSTER IN THE DISSBURG RIDING

### Has Majority of Only 65 Over Opponent

E. M. Brown of Arms, Independent candidate in the provincial election, was elected to the Legislature over the former member, E. P. Foster, Social Credit of Three Hills, in a close vote in the Dissburg constituency, when the final results were determined.

Brown received 2,508 votes to Foster's 2,403, giving the latter candidate a majority of 65 votes.

The Carbon poll gave Brown a majority of 55 over Foster, which came as a surprise to many. At this point Foster received 154 votes, and Brown 209.

#### The result of the polls in the Dissburg constituency was as follows:

Poll	Foster	Brown
Beyron School .....	46	24
Ellet School .....	85	44
Melvin School .....	89	61
Dissburg West .....	144	226
Dissburg East .....	104	114
Long Pine Hall .....	24	48
Kenpelt School .....	50	42
Long Pine Hall .....	50	42
Smithers' Road .....	50	42
Three Hills Hall .....	214	183
Basil .....	37	29
Gares Butte School .....	42	36
Robertson .....	27	31
Widder's .....	32	28
Climb School .....	68	79
Swallow .....	29	38
Gabert School .....	28	35
Barroff School .....	25	33
Selbertville School .....	22	30
Lacey's Home .....	114	191
John's Home .....	61	73
Robertson .....	81	48
Cremona .....	73	48
Dave's School .....	95	203
Ame .....	95	203
Grading .....	154	209
Carlton .....	22	42
Heath .....	22	42
Swallow School .....	62	74
Sam Lelake's .....	82	53
Feischer .....	82	193
Scott's School .....	21	18

#### CONDITIONS IN BELGIUM

Fears are expressed that the Belgian wheat crop has suffered rather from the winter weather. It is not anticipated, however, that there will be a serious shortage of wheat in that country for it is believed that a reserve of 80,000 tons is on hand, purchased during the latter part of 1929 and the early part of 1930. Governmental measures provide that millers must reduce the whole of the grain in flour, with the exception of the cellulose parts. There is but a single grade of wheat flour so that Belgium bread is not as white as heretofore. The feeding of millable wheat to animals is forbidden. The extraction of bran remains about the same as in the past. The demand for that product for stock feed is extensive. Imports of wheat flour for bread making are prohibited, but quotas are allotted to certain countries, including France, Canada and the United States.

A penicillin experiment may become an expensive waste.

## LIBERAL GOVERNMENT RETURNED IN DOMINION WITH LARGER MAJORITY

### Alberta Elects Six Liberals For a Change

The people of Canada approved Prime Minister King's war policy in its most important terms on Tuesday when they sent his Liberal party into power with the largest majority ever received in a political group in Canada.

Right from Quebec to British Columbia the Liberals made gains and even in Alberta came off the worst to elect more government members than at any time since entry into the confederation. Here latest returns were:

Liberals .....	6
New Democracy .....	7

The smaller vote may have some influence on the outcome of the election but this will not be known until some time in April.

The latest Canadian Press report of voter standing as they go to press is as follows:

Liberals .....	174
Independent Liberal .....	38
Independent Liberal .....	3
New Democracy .....	8
C. C. F. .....	1
United Reform .....	1
Independents .....	1

All cabinet ministers of the Mackenzie King government were returned to office, as well as the Prime Minister, Dr. Manion, National Government.

Minister, who was defeated in his own constituency in Ontario.

## ALBERTA LEADS IN SHEEP PRODUCTION

Although Alberta is topped by three other Canadian provinces in number of farms, the province leads Canada in number of sheep. It is second among the provinces in hogs and cattle, as well as in compiled figures released.

Outlets for the province's hogs and cattle. The figure are: Farms, Ontario, 19,274; Quebec, 15,567; Saskatchewan, 14,472; Alberta, 97,408. Cattle, Ontario, 1,322,700; Alberta, 883,000; Quebec, 1,292,200; Saskatchewan, 1,265,500; Sheep, Alberta, 782,000; Ontario, 528,000.

## THE WORLD OF WHEAT REVIEWED WEEKLY BY MAJOR H.G. STRANGE

One commonly hears the expression "It's too bad there has been so little snow over the prairie this winter. This makes a bad outlook for the crop next year."

Ten years of work by our Research Department seems to indicate that winter snow has little or no effect upon the following crop, that the yield there is governed mainly by the rains which fall during the autumn months of August, September and October, and during the following growing season months of April, May, June and July.

Snowfall, however, does make life on the prairie much more agreeable by filling up sloughs and water-courses and the early part of 1929, Governmental measures provide that millers must reduce the whole of the grain in flour, with the exception of the cellulose parts. There is but a single grade of wheat flour so that Belgium bread is not as white as heretofore.

This handicap can be overcome if better than normal rains occur during the coming growing season, but it must be said that the odds are somewhat against this happening.

## LONG YEARS AGO March 28, 1929

Two prairie fires were reported in the Carbon district this week. West of the river started on the Martin farm and ran to the T.B. Weber farm before being extinguished with the aid of the citizens of town. Another fire started on the S.N. Wright farm and burned for several hours before being put out.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. Moorhouse on March 22, a daughter.

The land in the Carbon district is dry and free from frost. A great many farmers are preparing for seeding. Machine agents report sales brisk and they look for a good purchase of farm machinery this spring.

The Drumheller Board of Trade, in conjunction with the Carbon Road Trade, is petitioning the C.P.R. for a motor-electric train between Carbon and Drumheller on the new Rosebush-Rosemary line.

## C. E. JOHNSTON IS THE WINNING CANDIDATE IN BOW RIVER CONSTITUENCY

### Austin B. Claypool Runs A Close Second Here



Mr. C. E. Johnston was elected re-election to the Dominion House of Commons for Bow River constituency last Tuesday night when vote-rs of 311 votes were heard from. Mr. Johnston had a lead over Mr. Claypool of 249 votes.

At the Carbon poll, with 528 votes on the list, only 366 votes were cast. Bad roads were mainly responsible for the smaller vote than that polled in the provincial campaign.

At this poll Johnston headed the list with 145; Claypool had 100; Manning, 82; Leisner, 21; and Anderson 12. There were four spoiled ballots.

At the Carbon poll the result was: Johnston, 145; Claypool, 111; Johnston, 12; Leisner, 16; Manning 11; Anderson, 6.

The Carbon poll showed: Johnston, 145; Claypool, 111; Leisner, 12; Manning, 2; Anderson, 6.

Five car loads of Caribou took in the drive at Rockyford Monday night.

Ocell Tremblay was taken to Calgary Monday night, suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

The Carbon Ladies Aid will sponsor a Fashion Show and tea to be held in the old bank building on Saturday, April 6th. There will be an afternoon show at 2:30 o'clock, and an evening show at 8:00 o'clock. Garments will be furnished by The Carbon Trading Co. Admission, Adults, 25c; Children, 15c.

## ROAD FOR OVERSEAS

Loaded with 82 packing cases containing surgical and hospital supplies, also relief supplies destined for Finland, two large C.P.R. delivery trucks left the Bow River Headquarters in Calgary last week, destined for their journey to Toronto, and eventually to Great Britain. The supplies made up the third shipment to leave the Calgary division of the Red Cross for England since the war began.

Miss Alice Loombe is spending the Easter vacation in Calgary and Turner Valley, with relatives.

Miss Marjorie Martin, nurse-in-training at the Calgary General Hospital, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Martin.

Miss Noll, Walker, of the local staff of the Bank of Montreal, spent the Easter holiday in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Rodden and family spent the Easter week end in Calgary.

Mrs. Richard left Saturday and will spend with relatives at Banff. On April 5 she will attend the L.O.O.F. convention in Edmonton as delegate from the Lady Roberts Chapter here.

Miss Marion Torrness was a Calgary visitor last weekend.

More snow is falling as we go to press Wednesday afternoon.

Austin B. Claypool

Who lost out to Mr. C.E. Johnston in a close race in Bow River

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**GROWN IN SUNNY SOUTHERN ONTARIO**

**A Doubtful Investment**

Once more the periodic Dominion elections have come and gone leaving in their wake calms of some and dissatisfaction for others; but whether the results are pleasing or otherwise, there will be almost unanimity of satisfaction that the voting has brought to a termination the political campaign speeches over the radio, and once more the great radio audience of this country is able to turn to its favorite radio programs without fear of interruption.

Campaign managers and workers for political parties must surely have agonized doubts whether the money they expend in extending over the air the mouths of their candidates and speakers and the demerits of those who oppose them is spent wisely and well. If so, it seems likely that their misgivings were well founded, provided results of a survey made in the United States for the past two years by the Public and International Affairs of Princeton University, financed by the Rockefeller Foundation, are applicable in this country. There is no reason to suppose they were not equally authentic here, since there is not a great deal of difference in temperament and taste between the radio audiences on either side of the international boundary.

One must admit, of course, that any effective medium that can be employed to acquaint voters with the affairs of their country, and their local community is being put to good use, for no one will gainsay the statement that the foundation on which our democratic form of government rests is an enlightened electorate to which the knowledge and understanding of public affairs is disseminated determines the strength of the democratic system. If people listen in great numbers to political orators over the air, radio is playing an important part in citizenship education, but if the majority of radio listeners tune them out, much time, energy and money is being wasted and political workers are living in a fool's paradise.

**Apparently Exaggerated**

The survey referred to above found that minorities of the families in the United States have radios and have them tuned in on an average of five hours a day, but it was also found that listeners to political speeches, public affairs forum programs and cultural talks are largely contented with the more cultured section of the populace, those who are better educated and in the higher income brackets and this is admittedly the group who do the most reading.

There is danger of exaggerating the size of the radio audience, declares Edwin Muller in an article commenting on the results of the survey, in a recent issue of *The New Republic*. "The survey," he adds, "through the facilities of Dr. George Gallup's organization, found that even President Roosevelt doesn't reach as many over the air as some might suppose."

Though he (President Roosevelt) is admittedly our most charming and persuasive political personality on the radio today, his speeches, except on unusual occasions, are listened to by less than one third of the radio owners. Only 25 per cent. of the families owning sets heard his recent Jackson Day address. It is generally thought that his main support is from the lower economic levels. Yet on the lower economic levels one set in four is likely to be tuned in on him; on the upper, one in two. The better-educated people, who would in general rather get ideas by reading than by listening, are twice as likely to listen to the President. And the difference is apt to be greater in the case of other serious broadcasts."

Discussing another aspect of the question, the same writer observes very significantly that, "The best means of spreading knowledge is printed word."

**A Frustrated Feeling**

If statements of the calibre of President Roosevelt in the United States, and Mr. Mackenzie King, Dr. R. J. Manion and J. S. Woodsworth in Canada, who must be assumed to be able to speak with authority, can capture and hold 25 or 30 per cent. of their potential radio audience, it can be left to the imagination to guess the amount of tuning out that is done when Bob Brown, Tim Leary, John Doe, who may have only a vague idea of what they are talking about, whose voices are unrecognizable, who present their material in such a manner that they are difficult to follow and whose names are unknown to the great majority of radio set owners outside a very narrow circle, go on the air to promote the policies of the parties to which they adhere and espouse the cause of some lesser light in the political sphere.

Even a good speaker, an interesting, interesting material is suffering under a heavy handicap when he essays to give his message over the air as compared with the writer who puts his material into print for distribution. As Mr. Muller aptly states: "Listening is easier, but you get more out of reading." The reading-minded person, when he listens to a program that requires any thought, is apt to have a feeling of frustration, he isn't getting all that he should out of it."

**Hard To Believe**

Mrs. Roosevelt says the American Youth Congress is "in no sense sympathetic with the Russia of Stalin." It's still pretty hard, says the Windsor Star, to get away from the fact that 1,000 Youth Congress members in New York refused to condemn the Russian attack on Finland with all five dissenting voices.

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**Peaceful Settlement**

The International Joint Commission To Iron Out Difficulty

The International Joint Commission, made up of three Americans and three Canadians, will consider in April the conflicting claims of Canadian and North Dakota ranchers to water rights along the Souris river, which flows into North Dakota from Saskatchewan and loops back into Manitoba.

Nobody cares except the ranchers themselves, who they take calmly for granted that whatever solution the commission arrives at will be satisfactory to both sides.

The unimportance of this news is the only significant thing about it. Such a dispute could be whipped into a good size border war if it had been, say, on a German frontier—Minnesota-Russia-Japan.

A new stamp is appearing in Greece on which the figure of the Apostle Paul is seen preaching on Mars Hill.

The platinum fox is one of Norway's rare animals. Only 300 pairs are extant.

According to stylists, trousers of British schoolboys of the future will contain no pockets. 2502

**Planes In Ice Patrol**

First Time They Have Been Used On Atlantic Coast

Due to conditions arising from the war, the Royal Canadian Air Force will cooperate with the Department of Transport in ice patrol work on the Atlantic Coast, it was announced at Ottawa.

Owing to restrictions preventing the use of radio communication between ships, the planes will maintain a constant ice survey and the information will then be relayed by short range stations to shipping.

Never before have airplanes been used for ice patrol work on the Atlantic, though an air patrol was maintained for some time at Davis Straits collecting information when the Hudson Bay route was first opened.

The air survey of ice conditions in the Cabot Strait started two weeks before the commencement of the annual ice patrol by icebreakers. An offer from the Canadian Government icebreaker N. B. McLean will act as an observer on the ice patrol.

With the heavy movement of shipping, due to the war, special precautions are being taken to prevent checking the ice movements. An ice information office is being opened in Halifax which will keep friendly shipping posted. Icebreakers will work as usual in the St. Lawrence, using the radio to keep shipping advised.

It is only on the Atlantic that ship radars are blacked out as a precaution against giving the location of the vessel to an enemy.

**Volume Will Be Printed**

Containing Speeches Made By Late Lord Tweedsmuir In Canada

Lady Tweedsmuir has arranged for the printing of a volume which will contain more than one hundred speeches made by Lord Tweedsmuir during the years he was Governor-General of Canada.

These speeches were made after careful preparation. The volume likely will be printed late in the year after.

Lord Tweedsmuir's memoirs have been published. After publication of the memoirs and speeches, Lord Tweedsmuir's last novel, based on some of his experiences in Canada and written around the fictional character, Sir Edward Leithen, will be printed.

It is understood at Ottawa that Lady Tweedsmuir will devote much of her time at her home in Richmond, England, to writing, already having published a number of books, some of them for children. One of her best-known works was "The Story of Water", dealing with the depressed mining areas of Wales. She lived in the mining area to gather material for the book.

**Punishable Offence**

Smuggling Attempts In Internment Camps Hit By Regulations

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**A Famous Phrase**

Used By Lincoln And Traced Back To Daniel Webster

Lincoln's famous saying, "That government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth," is said to be based on Theodore Parker's illustration, which he used in an address on May 29, 1850, when he spoke of a democracy as a government of the people, by the people, for the people. And Parker's use of the phrase can be traced back to Daniel Webster, who, in 1830, said in a public speech: "The people's government, made for the people, and answerable to the people."—A Christian Science Monitor.

The Tundra is a cold, desert area behind the Arctic coasts of Northern Russia and Siberia. It is a treeless plain, sparsely bearing lichen, mosses and low shrubs, covered in winter. The fauna include caribou and reindeer.

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**Warship For Convoys**

One Heavy Craft Carrying Anti-Aircraft Guns Is Necessary

The necessity for assigning at least one battleship or cruiser to each merchant marine convoy has been one of the most important naval lessons learned by the Allies during the months of war, French admiralty sources disclosed.

Only such heavy craft, it was explained, can carry the high-calibre anti-aircraft guns required for defence against high-flying bombers.

Battleships and cruisers attached to convoy service need not be modern since speed is not essential. Reduced to their practical role, they are merely "floating anti-aircraft forts".

War-time experience proved that smaller ships pitched too much in the open sea to maintain accurate fire against planes. The merchant vessels themselves could not mount heavy enough guns.

Both the transport and bomber threat has been reduced by the Allied practice of routing convoys through inland waterways and close to shore whenever possible. It was stated. Submarines cannot venture into shallow waters made tricky by shoals and reefs. Bombers attempting forays close to shore run the risk of being attacked by fast pursuit planes based along the convoy route.

Admiralty quarters said France has built, and is building more, of fast torpedo boats in the world. The design of those now under construction is secret, but it is fast adding to her fleet of 200, two-tube craft capable of 45 knots.

Britain runs France a close second in the "mosquito boat" field and is fast adding to her fleet of 200, two-tube craft capable of 45 knots.

**Just Obedient Orders**

When the Light Brigade charged, it was not up to them to reason why they were just to do or die. When Captain J. H. Townley was told to command the R.M.S. Queen Elizabeth on her epic trip to New York, says W. L. Clark, in the Windsor Star, he explains that he wasn't asked about bringing the ship over. He says he was simply told to bring her over.

**Rare Books Exhibited**

Three hundred rare English books and manuscripts sent to the United States by seven London dealers who wish to protect their material from war hazards, are on exhibition in Manhattan, New York. The items are valued at \$60,000. Works ranging from a set of John Bunyan's first editions to a rare volume of Chaucer are included in the exhibit.

**Donations From Jay Gardeners**

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**Sergeant Was Surprised**

When He Recognized Ticket Collector Who Took His Voucher

A South Coast Port, England.—A sergeant returning from France on leave and rushing to his train, handed his leave voucher book to the ticket collector. The collector tore out the green pass and returned the book. The sergeant took it and the collector smiled pleasantly. Then the sergeant, amazement written over his face, snapped to attention.

The collector was King George. His Majesty, who had been watching officers and men landing from France, "filled in" for a while as a ticket collector to see how the routine was carried out.

**Introduced Half Century Ago**

Stirling was introduced into the Canadian Rockies more than 50 years ago, discovery of a pair of axe-benches at Banff, Alta., indicates. The axe was presumably built by Scandinavian railroad workers.

Radium was originally named "polonium" by Mme. Curie in honor of her native Poland. Scientists changed it.

**To Reduce The Weight**

Lighter Wheels For Motor Vehicles Gradually Coming Into Use

Cast aluminum wheels for motor vehicles are coming into growing use, partly because of increased knowledge of the use of alloys, partly because of engineers' continued efforts to cut the unnecessary weight out of automobiles.

The ancient belief that a heavy car holds the road better than a light one was long ago laughed out of the laboratories, where it was known that proper balance and proper springing were the means to stability. How to achieve them and at the same time provide the most comfortable arrangements of passenger room has been one of the major automobile problems.

Their lightness recommends aluminum wheels because they reduce unsprung weight, always a trouble to designers. The shock to the passengers and the vehicle's cargo when a wheel is thrown upward by an irregularity in the road is in direct proportion to the weight of the wheel.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Botanists say that the earliest flowers of spring are also the most ancient and primitive.

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# Fishing Trawlers Used In The Very Hazardous Work Of Mine Sweeping

(By "Bartineur," the famous British Naval writer.)

In their attempts to analyze British shipping and as part of their Naval "offensive" the Germans are laying mines which are of two types, the magnetic mine and the moored impact mine.

The magnetic mine rests on the bottom and does not require to be struck by anything. It is sufficient for a ship to pass into its magnetic field for it to explode.

These mines are laid by aircraft which drop them in fairways when conditions are favourable to aircraft operations, dark moonless nights and calm seas. They are attached to parachutes. These mines are also distributed by submarine. They are laid in complete disregard of international law, which requires a belligerent to declare a port or water mined and in waters accessible to neutral shipping, to whom the seas are, or should be, free.

The first international neutrals are given of the presence of a German minefield is when one of their ships is blown up.

Counter-measures consist in towing a magnetic sweep, that is to say, magnets attached to a motor launch and towed by a tug, or a small craft, over the area in which mines are suspected. The magnets provide the requisite distance between the mine's magnetic field to detonate the mine as they pass over it.

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International Law requires that if the mine is severed and the mine floats to the surface it is to be harmless even if a ship strikes the mine. A safety device has been invented into all British mines whereby the tension of the mooring wire alone keeps the mine operative, directly that it releases the mine is torn from its mooring by a storm or the wire is cut by a minesweeper operation, the detonator becomes inoperative.

Counter measures against the impact mines, which are laid by both submarines and surface minesweepers, consist in towing at the end of a wire an object which floats and is blown on the stream line of a mine. By connecting to the wire, in the vicinity of this float a board which works on the principle of a rudder, the float travels parallel to the mooring vessel on the surface and the

## Prize-Winning Skins Selected

For Mink Coat Canadian Women Preferred To Lady Tweedsmuir

Twenty prize-winning mink skins from the 1939 Ontario Fur Farmers' Association show were selected to make the coat which Canadian women presented to the Governor-General, the Lady Tweedsmuir, as a parting tribute. The coat was made at Grede in Toronto. It was designed by the design approved by its recipient and the selection committee in Ottawa. The coat might be expected—warm and practical and suitable for wearing over London velvet or velvet.

John Creed consulted in Ottawa with Senator Clifford Wilson, Mr. E. H. Coleman, Mrs. H. H. Davis, Mrs. T. O. Cresser and Mrs. E. L. LaPointe, and on their instructions, he designed the coat approved by Her Excellency at Rideau Hall. Mrs. Creed took measurements for the coat. In Ontario Mrs. Albert Matthews was honorary chairman of the committee, and in other provinces Mrs. J. G. MacDonald was representative of the women of their respective jurisdictions on the gift committee.

## Planning For Winter Fair

Officials Hope To Hold It Again This Fall In Toronto

Application has been made to Federal authorities for the temporary removal of soldiers from two buildings in Exhibition Park to the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair which will be held there in November of this year. The Fair was cancelled last November for the first time since it opened in 1922. In 1922, after cancellation was expressed not only through the Dominion but across the Dominion and in the United States. It is planned that the theme of the Fair apart from the agricultural interest, will be of a martial nature with officers of the Army, Navy and Air Force co-operating with Winnipeg officials to present an entertainment production that will heighten interest in recruiting and show Canada's part in the war.

curve of the wire, drawn along beneath the surface, can be made to intercept the upright mooring wire of the mine at any desired depth. This is cut by the strain and the mine floats to the surface.

A patrol vessel follows in the wake of the minesweeper—several of which follow each other in echelon—and by rifle and machine gun fire perforates the mine case, which fills with water and sinks to the bottom.

Both these operations involve very skilful handling of wires. Steel wire is always dangerous. Under great strain it is liable to part, the portion above water springing back like elastic; it will decapitate a man as effectively as a guillotine, and break bones like match staves.

Wire out of control on the slippery deck of a minesweeper working in a heavy sea can behave like a careful of mad serpents and be almost too dangerous.

For this reason the mine sweeping personnel is largely drawn from the fishing population of Great Britain. These fishermen are well accustomed to handling wires and living in small ships in all weathers.

They have no illusions about the duty required of them. The sweeping in which they work—the fishing vessels to which they are accustomed, converted into minesweepers—do not strike a mine and when they do the trawler usually vanishes, with everybody on board.

It is not by German aircraft they are bombed and machine-gunned. They work from dawn to sunset in fair weather and in the bitter cold of the North Sea winter. They are a soft-spoken, gentle-mannered breed of men accustomed to the sea and to a life of hardship.

I went on one of these mine sweepers to gain experience of mine sweeping and the lives the trawlers' crews lead. The skipper had been 35 years a trawler fisherman in the North Sea. He knew it like the palm of his hand. I asked him if he had ever been wrecked. He said he had, once, as a boy. When the little vessel struck he went below and put on his best suit. This angered his crew, who asked him what he meant by such conduct. He replied that he wished his dead body to be washed ashore.

## Safety In Age

Find That Young Drivers Have More Accidents Than Older People

Young drivers of motor vehicles are more liable to accidents than older men, according to a report issued by the Medical Research Council, Industrial Health Research Board.

The report contains an account of the investigation among omnibus drivers in London, omnibus and trolley-bus drivers in an industrial town, and trolley-bus drivers in a seaside resort. Graphs are drawn to show that the tendency is for the accident rate to decrease with the age of the driver.

In all the curves there is a slight rise in accident rate about the period of the fifties, followed by a fall at later ages. A possible explanation, according to the report, is that advancing age may cause almost imperceptibly upon people, so that they continue to take the same risks as they did in their earlier years. When they are definitely in the years that this cannot be done and so take fewer risks—London Times.

## Controller Of Shipping

Sir James Edgworth Greatest Driving Force Behind This Industry

Sir James Edgworth, Controller of Merchant Shipping and Repairs, would not be offended if he were told that he looks 56 years to the full. He is the great old driving force behind shipbuilding on the Clyde, probably the greatest authority in the world on the subject of shipbuilding. He is tall, blue-eyed, sandy Scot, you could tell his nationality from his looks before he spoke. His manner is friendly, but he is not a man to be over-estimated. He has an excellent sense of humor, with a never-ending store of anecdotes. He has an excellent sense of humor, with a never-ending store of anecdotes. He has an excellent sense of humor, with a never-ending store of anecdotes.

The game of chess is of ancient origin and was introduced in Europe by the Arabs.



## Big Bend Highway

Scenic Route In British Columbia To Be Opened June 29

It is announced that the official opening of the Big Bend Highway between Revelstoke and Golden, British Columbia, will take place on June 29, 1940, two days in advance of the official opening of the Banff-Jasper Highway, scheduled for July 1.

The opening of these scenic travel routes will be the highlight of what is expected to be Canada's greatest tourist travel year. The Big Bend Highway will provide motorists with a direct route to the national parks in the Canadian Rockies. From Banff National Park the motorist may travel east via the Trans-Canada Highway as far as the Great Lakes, or he may swing north along the new Banff-Jasper Highway to Jasper National Park, a great mountain playground and big game country of 4,200 square miles.

The Big Bend Highway, which follows the great northern bend of the Columbia River for a distance of 103 miles, was completed by the Federal Department of Mines and Resources. It taps an area with a rich historical background of exploration and gold-seekers, of fur-trailers and gold-seekers, and passes through a magnificent mountain region within sight of cordillera glaciers and all the other charms of an alpine world.

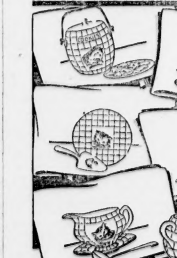
On both sides of the Rockies the opening of the Big Bend Highway heralds what is an outstanding event in the history of road-building in Canada. It supplies the last link in the western section of the Trans-Canada Highway which, with the completion of a stretch in northwestern Ontario, will provide an all-Canadian motor route from Vancouver to Halifax, a distance of about 3,500 miles.

Five hundred bus drivers of Glasgow were reported ill from nervous strain while driving in blackout.

The post oak, once birch and lodge pole pine received their names from their uses.

The 1,100 men employed by the British Ordnance Survey turn out 2,000,000 maps annually.

## Tea Towel Set Is Fun to Stitch



Stamp these cute motifs on towels—that youngster who's starting to embroider, do them. The stitches are so easy, she'll make a lovely set of towels. Pattern 6681 contains a tea towel set of six motifs averaging 6 x 8 inches; material needed, illustration 22 stitches.

## Voluntary Workers

Make Life Easier For Many Canadians During War Time

A corps of voluntary workers are called Voluntary Aides and their purpose is to take care of additional social service work that becomes necessary when a country goes to war. They are younger women with free hours during the week.

Disposing in this field actually began two years ago with organization of the Central Volunteer Bureau in Montreal but with the outbreak of war the work of the Voluntary Aides became more intensified. Financed by the Junior League, more than 250 women are engaged actively in this endeavor.

With the outbreak of war, experimental courses got a very big response. Winnipeg, Vancouver, Toronto and Hamilton, Ont., as well as Montreal, to train these women with executive leisure for social service work. The courses consisted of four lectures each, the work entailed as a voluntary worker.

A voluntary aide may be called to take a child to the dentist when the mother is busy with housework. Another day she may spend an hour or two writing letters for the aged at the Old People's Home.

On market days, may be that she will keep a watchful eye on toddlers, allowing the mother to go shopping. One talented volunteer worker has spent hours each week playing for a blind organist so he can learn the music for his choir practice.

There are places to be filled by voluntary aides in hospital wards, in nursing homes, in orphanages, in all the centres the emphasis is placed on the quality of service rather than upon the quantity.

Japan is searching for a cheering slogan which Japanese can use in greeting friends, saying farewell or while exuberant in a crowd.

Hooded pygmies are the latest. When you hear a burglar, the hooded man says the trouble of pulling the blanket over your head.

Out of every ton of coal bought for domestic use, one 20th excesses consumed up the chimney in the form of soot, etc.

In England a desert is called a desert.

# The Karelian Isthmus Has Been Battleground Since The Twelfth Century

The Karelian Isthmus and its ancient city of Viipuri, a part of the Finnish Republic, has been a frequent battleground since the twelfth century.

An irregularly formed land bridge, extending from southeast Finland into Russia, the isthmus separates the Gulf of Finland and Europe's largest lake, Ladoga.

At the eastern end of the 70-mile-wide isthmus is Leningrad, leading Soviet seaport, and the northwest end is Viipuri.

It was via the Karelian isthmus that the first Finnish settlers went to Finland in the fourth century. And it was here, following their invasion from Russia, after the first Great War, that they erected their stout Mannerheim line, a system of land and water fortifications that stilled Russia's latest invasion for three and one-half months.

Russian acquisition of Viipuri would mean the loss to Finland of the chief industrial, commercial and distributing center for her eastern coast.

Viipuri rose in warfare. The ancient seaport, 650 years old, was a stronghold of the Russian empire. Its origin almost 600 years ago in the avenging crusade of a Swedish king, Magnus, of Sweden, and he converted them to Christianity.

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Peter finally defeated Charles XII of Sweden and Viipuri was forced to accept Russian rule. It was Russian-dominated until the Bolshevik revolution and the eventual establishment of the Finnish Republic on June 17, 1919.

Finns—the race nobody knows! Beginning in mystery, striking north 2,000 years ago, migrating with the Swedes to form still another people; reigned, fighting; positive, aroused, curious, courageous; nobly but hating all Russians.

Finns—a people definitely apart! So J. Hanninen Kaplan pictures them in an important book, "Finland," just published by Macmillan.

The Finns have survived incredibly long hardships, oppression, and attack is but one familiar chapter. It is a story of a people who have lived between Russia and Sweden, between east and west for over 1,000 years.

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## BRITISH TROOPS ROUT ENEMY IN SHARP SKIRMISH

With the British Expeditionary Force in France—British troops took revenge for the Nazi surprise raid on one of their Maginot line outposts two weeks ago. In a savage skirmish five Germans were killed and one was taken prisoner.

The Britons suffered no casualties in their operation which occurred close to the scene of the March 5 clash, the first large-scale encounter between British and German troops on the Western Front.

The new encounter was announced in a French communiqué, which read:

"Activity by reconnaissance elements. On the front held by British troops there was an encounter of patrols which turned entirely to the advantage of our Allies."

The British command also announced the clash, stating a British patrol had "successfully attacked" a German patrol during the night and routed it after a "violent" fight. The enemy left five dead on the field and one was taken prisoner by the British, it was stated.

The German raid March 5 was against a British outpost east of the Meuse river and close to the Luxembourg border. Two Britons were killed and one was wounded.

General Viscount Gort, commander-in-chief of the British forces in the field, flew to the Royal Air Force air base to congratulate the pilots and crews of aircraft which have been carrying out reconnaissance flights over the German west wall.

The commander-in-chief flew from the airfield close to general headquarters in a small jet motor plane piloted by Air Vice-Marshal C. B. M. Blount, commanding the air component of British forces in France. The pilot, followed the route taken by the plane with the help of a map spread out in front of him. The rest of his staff followed in a larger plane.

## Assurance For Sweden

Russia says She Wants No More Territory In Scandinavia

Stockholm, Sweden.—Official Swedish circles declared that Russia has given assurances she has no more territorial aspirations in Scandinavia. The assurances, said to have been given to Sweden, did not mention whether they had come voluntarily or at the request of Sweden for clarification of points in the Russo-Finnish peace treaty.

Swedish circles have shown worry over certain aspects of that treaty which project Russian military connections to the Swedish border. The Soviet gave assurances, official circles said, that there would be no port facilities across the centre of Finland would be used only for commercial purposes.

## Merchant Cruisers

Two Canadian Passenger Vessels To Be Armed

Ottawa.—Two Canadian passenger vessels, the Prince Robert and the Prince David are being converted into armed merchant cruisers. It was shown in a list of war supply boat contracts.

A \$600,000 contract for conversion of the Prince Robert was awarded the Burrard Dry Dock Company Limited of North Vancouver, B.C., on Feb. 9 and on the same date a \$435,000 contract for conversion of the Prince David was awarded the Halifax Shipyard Limited of Halifax.

## Protest From Denmark

Say Bombs Were Dropped Along The Danish Coast

Copenhagen, Denmark.—The Danish government instructed its minister in London to protest against violation of Danish territory by British planes which bombed the German island of Sylt.

Ten bombs were dropped along the Danish coast and a mixed commission of Danish military and technical experts conducted an investigation to determine the nationality of the planes which dropped them.

## Linguaphones Installed

Albion.—More than 100 linguaphones have been installed for members of the Canadian Active Service Force interested in learning French, and for speakers of French wishing to learn English. It is part of the educational program for the Canadian 1st Division recently inaugurated.

## Issues At Stake

No Threat To Neutrals If Allies Win The War

Toronto.—Hon. James H. R. Cromwell, United States minister to Canada, has said that if the Allies win the war he could see "no threat to the well being, to the peace, or to the social and economic order of the neutral democracies, be they large or small."

As to the outlook should Germany triumph, he asked what kind of rule was being applied in countries which had been victims of the Nazi Lebensraum (living room) plan of expansion. "Did the Austrians, Czechs, Slovaks or the Poles have a voice in the determination of their present form of government?"

Speaking before a joint meeting of the Canadian Club and the Empire Club, Mr. Cromwell said he was at a loss to understand how any intelligent citizen of any neutral democracy could state with conviction that he has no interest in the outcome of the war, or that there are no issues at stake which can affect the peace of the world.

As an economist, Mr. Cromwell laid the present conflict appeared to him "not only as a clash between rival political concepts, but also as a clash between life and totally different economic systems of which the form of government are but the outward manifestations."

He did not feel to be deceived by the frequently repeated description of the democratic-capitalist system as one which is old and outmoded, and that it must be superseded by some autocratic ideology. For it is the latter which has marred and misgoverned the world from time immemorial.

"It was not until the industrial revolution took place, and in the 19th century that true democracy on a broad basis of universal suffrage and individual freedom, as we conceive it, came into being, and has been possible. To me, capitalism and democracy are as closely united as the sun and the moon cannot live without the other."

## Hitler Falls

Report Says Mussolini Would Not Scrap Balkan Policy

Paris.—An authoritative source said Adolf Hitler failed during his meeting with Premier Mussolini to induce the Italian leader to scrap the Balkan policy which Rome has pursued since before the war.

This source said Hitler tried to get his axis partner to join Germany and Russia in a division of political influence in southeastern Europe, but it did, feeling free to continue the policy he adopted at the outbreak of war, declined to commit himself.

Reports reaching here from communist circles in central capitals stated the German plans called for complete exclusion of British and French influence in the Balkan zone. Hitler's influence in southern Europe after the meeting—in contrast with the smiling idyll together with optimistic attitude of high German quarters in Rome, were interpreted here as confirmation that Mussolini returned from the meeting with freedom of action unimpaired.

## Buildings Standardized

Designs Have Been Prepared For All Training Centres

Ottawa.—Standardization of buildings and hangars at schools being established under the British Commonwealth air training plan was announced by the national defence department.

Forty standard designs have been prepared by the engineer services branch of the Canadian militia and the works and building division of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

Suggestions by British firms that standard portable steel hangars be constructed were discarded in favor of Canadian designs and materials when it was found cost of important items would be high.

Of timber construction, hangars will have a span of 112 feet and a depth of 128 feet. The construction type truss will be employed, providing for rapid erection and also for easy removal to other sites. Only permanent feature will be the paved floor. All wooden sections will be given a chemical treatment making them fireproof.

## Halifax Tests Alarm

Halifax.—Halifax has held its first practice blackout in four and a half months. On a signal from 40 air raid precautions sirens, street lights went off and other lights throughout the city were obscured for 15 minutes. Purpose of the blackout was to test the new alarm sounding system.

## Attack On Chamberlain

Was Launched Recently By An Illegal Broadcasting Station

London.—An illegal broadcasting station, calling itself the "New British Broadcasting Station," went on the air and attacked Prime Minister Chamberlain and his policies for 20 minutes, claiming he led the country into "the most ridiculous and unprofitable war of history."

The announcer said Mr. Chamberlain had outstripped by a year the scriptural span of life and "this year has been the most unfortunate of his existence. He is too old to maintain the responsibility which he has incurred."

The broadcast ended with the first bars of "God Save the King."

## SOVIETS OPPOSE ANY ALLIANCE AGAINST RUSSIA

Moscow.—Tass, Soviet news agency, announced it was authorized to state that Soviet Russia would regard any defensive alliance between Sweden, Norway and Finland as "aimed at the U.S.S.R., and as directly contrary to the Russo-Finnish peace treaty."

"The foreign press alleges that negotiations are going on in Finland, Sweden and Norway on conclusion of a so-called defensive alliance for the purpose of military protection of the frontiers of Finland," said Tass.

It also alleged that the Soviet Union does not object to such a "defensive alliance among Finland, Sweden and Norway."

Tass was authorized to state that these reports on the attitude of the Soviet Union do not correspond to the facts.

The agency added that public statements made in the Norwegian parliament made it clear that such an alliance "would be aimed against the U.S.S.R. and would directly contradict the peace treaty" between Finland and Norway.

Article 3 of the treaty of March 12 binds each party not to conclude any alliance or join any coalition against the other.

The governments of both Norway and Sweden have announced they were considering conclusion of an alliance with Finland since the latter was forced to accept peace at Russian hands. President Kaalia of Finland has declared such an alliance a necessity.

(Whether Moscow would hold article 3 stood in the way of the proposed alliance, however, has been a subject much discussed in Oslo and Stockholm.)

The Finnish-Russian peace treaty was ratified by the presidium of the supreme Soviet.

## Hero Of Boer War

London.—Lt.-Gen. Sir Aymer Hunter-Weston was killed in a fall from the tower of his Scottish home overlooking the Firth of Clyde. Sir Aymer, 76, served at the Dardanelles and in France in the last war and was a hero of the Boer war.

## Valuables Confiscated

Prague.—Jews in this German protectorate were directed by special decree to deposit at specified banks within two weeks all securities, stocks, precious metals and jewels in their possession.

## FINNISH MINISTER STUDIES THE MAP

## IN PENSIVE MOOD



## Cannot Stop Shipments

British Unable To Control Trade Through Black Sea To Germany

London.—The government informed the House of Commons it is unable to prevent shipments of oil through the Black Sea to Germany. The prime minister, Mr. Chamberlain, said that the government is unable to pass through the Straits of Bosphorus to the Black Sea to establish a blockade.

This pact signed in 1920, provided that the entrances to the Black Sea be closed to warships of belligerent nations unless they are serving under League of Nations mandate or helping a victim of aggression under a mutual assistance pact concluded within the framework of the league and to which Turkey is a party.

Britain and France have a party of the treaty with Turkey signed last year.

## France To Buy Horses

Purchase Of Canadian-Bred Horses To Begin In April

Toronto.—Purchase of Canadian-bred horses by the French government will begin in April. J. W. McCallum, assistant director of production services for Canada, told the Canadian National Livestock Record board here.

While declining to make any estimate on the number of horses to be purchased by the French government, McCallum said that an order for 6,000 horses was given recently to the United States.

## Seize Opium Cargo

Gibraltar.—A \$100,000 opium cargo was part of the prize when the German freighter Uhenfels was captured off the African coast last November. It was announced as the ship arrived here for examination in drydock. Seizure of the 7,000-ton ship, which a prize crew first took to Freetown, Sierra Leone, on the West African coast, was announced in London Nov. 8.

## Second Jap Protest

Chain Russian Soldiers Fired On At Enclave Of Sakhalin Island

Tokyo.—An informed source said Soviet Russian soldiers fired on Japanese on two occasions March 16 at Sakhalin island, incidents over which Japan's foreign office twice has protested to Russia.

The second time this source claimed, Russian fire was directed against Japanese civilians.

The Japanese foreign office repeated its protest to the Russian embassy. The first reports of the shooting said there were about a dozen Soviet and two Japanese casualties in a border clash. Russia has the northern half of the island, Japan the southern half.

The newspaper Hochi urged prompt action to face "a Soviet Non Eastern advance which is inevitable" and added that the Orient already had felt "the results of the Finnish-Soviet truce."

## Mission Is Ended

Summer Welles Said He Had Received No Mediation Proposals

Rome.—Sumner Welles, undersecretary for the United States, disclosed no peace plan or mediation proposals had been offered him by any belligerent or other European government during his fact-finding conversations on behalf of President Roosevelt.

Welles, speaking a few hours before leaving for Genoa to sail for home, also declared emphatically that he had not conveyed any suggestions for peace to any European power.

Welles remarked there was a press statement which said: "My mission has been solely one of gathering information for the president of the Secretary of State as to present conditions in Europe."

R.A.F. Bombers Make A Raid On Nazi Air Base

London.—The Royal Air Force blasted away at Germany's Sylt island air base for more than seven hours in by far the longest sustained period of the war—hitting back at the Nazis for their 58-minute attack on Scapa Flow.

eyewitnesses on the nearby Don island of Humber said 50 bombs, explosions and four tremendous, earth-shaking blasts had been heard, and the one bomb "unmistakably blew up an ammunition depot."

British news agency reports said the Hindenburg dam connecting Sylt with the mainland was heavily damaged and that one British plane shot down on the north coast of Sylt. The news also reported hit in a previous British raid.

Whether this was the opening gun of an intense air offensive could only be known when the information came that Germany had ordered an aerial offensive in the warning of Prime Minister Chamberlain in the House of Commons that Germany must bear responsibility for the consequences of the recent raid on Britain's Scapa Flow.

Sylt is considered the jumping-off place for German planes such as those which raided Scapa Flow and which have repeatedly punished British and neutral shipping.

Dispatches from nearby Tenby, in Denmark, told of the heaviest cannoning heard since the start of the war.

The number of planes participating was not known, but the information given out here was of the briefest.

Observers said the raid apparently was the carrying out of what Prime Minister Chamberlain has proclaimed frequently, that "how far we will strike back in the war against the Nazis."

An enormous detailed photograph of the air base on Sylt taken by Royal Air Force flyers was published in the London press late in January. Easily visible were hangars, barracks, garages, cranes and a number of German seaplanes.

The sortie against the Nazi island stronghold followed the statement in the House of Lords by Lord Strathclyde, Labor, that the German attack on Scapa Flow "removes any obstacle to our bombing Germany supply and naval bases."

Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax replied that he did not disagree "as to the very legitimate consequences" that might be drawn from the attack on the naval base in the Orkneys.

## BRITAIN SENDS A REPLY TO THE PROTEST OF ITALY

London.—In a 10-page reply to Italy's protest of March 3 against the Allied economic warfare, the British government responded in the determination to use every legal weapon against Germany—"an enemy who has on repeated occasions flagrantly disregarded the principles of international law and even the common precepts of humanity."

The problem which prompted the Italian protest, the Allied decision to seize German coal aboard Italian ships, has since been amicably settled, but the government took advantage of the occasion to give a complete outline of its position on economic warfare and the obligations of neutrals.

The British note pointed out Germany would have a marked advantage if it were left free "to pursue with impunity practices in total disregard of the international and moral principles" while the Allies were expected at all times scrupulously to observe those principles.

"The British government has no intention of initiating the barbarous economic oppression which the Italian ships and nations have suffered in common with those of other neutral powers," the note said.

The British government at all times sought to ensure that their action conformed to the accepted principles of international law. But they are unable to accept the disabilities that would result for them were they to refrain from all full exercise of their rights."

Rome.—Premier Mussolini talked down the Italian protest at his staff, Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, as informed Fascist quarters expressed belief that the coming of spring would see Germany pressing action on the war fronts.

The government received without comment the Italian protest at Italy's protest of March 3 against the Allied sea blockade of Germany, as it had Italian reports those German coal.

Authoritative Rome quarters described Mussolini's conference with Graziani, who is believed to be in direct command of Italy's northern frontier, as "very important," but declined to link it directly with Hitler at Brennero recently.

## Aiding The Empire

Newfoundland Raises A Force Of 5,000 Men

St. John's, Nfld.—Newfoundland has raised more than 5,000 men for service in the empire in the Canadian Forces. The province's Justice Commissioner Emerson disclosed here.

Two thousand foresters and 625 men required by the British military for special service already have crossed the Atlantic, he said, while another 1,000 are in the general service and 670 for the Royal artillery have enrolled.

Over 1,000 applications had been received in response to a call for mercantile service. Applications also were being received for service in the Royal Air Force and a proclamation calling for enlistments in this branch was to be issued shortly.

Volunteers for the general naval service exceeded the number asked for, and the extra men were being held in reserve while awaiting another call.

## Finns Leave Hanko Area

Every Means Of Transportation Has Been Pressed Into Service

Hanko, Finland.—This once-thriving city of 8,000, formerly known as "Finland's Venice," is being rapidly becoming a ghost town as its Finnish residents flee to new homes with all the goods they can carry before the Russian conquest.

Trucks, trains, buses and even bicycles are being pressed into service in the town and for the shipping length of the Hanko peninsula.

Every resident, authorities said, is bent on one purpose—getting his belongings safely across the new frontier before the Red army takes possession under the terms of the German peace treaty.

Hanko was leased by the Russians for 30 years and will be used as a military base.

## Gets Fine And Jail Term

Shoredham, Sussex, England.—Police reported that a 34-year-old architect, was fined \$222 and sentenced to a month in jail for attempting to deface the letters on the letters on the Black on the naval base in the Orkneys.







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To avoid duplication of effort  
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 rectorate of Auxiliary Services has been  
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 tional Defence. Well over two hundred  
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 vided by charitable organizations are  
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## Snicklefritz----



Some neighbors will borrow every-  
 thing, including trouble.

Feminine intuition is the quality that  
 tells one of the five daughters that the  
 book out in front is for her.

My daughter's music, signed the  
 man, has been a great success.  
 Indeed said the guest. Some neigh-  
 bor sued you, I suppose?

Boy: Yes, indeed, lifting put my  
 uncle Bruno in the hospital.  
 Girl: Yes, but what did he ever try  
 to lift?

Boy: A pocket book.

When a woman finds she's hooked  
 up with a worm she usually starts  
 fishing for something better.

Do you know what the crack of dawn  
 is? Sure, what my wife gives me when  
 I come home after four a.m.

Customer (pointing to laundry parcel):  
 "Is this my new in China?"  
 Laundryman (hesitatingly): "N-no."  
 Customer (curiously): "It is some  
 kind of idyllic mark. What is it?"  
 Laundryman: "Just a description. It  
 means I'll fat man, clocked nose, no  
 teeth."

An Englishman, a Scotchman, a Bal-  
 garian and a bartender planned to  
 celebrate the night of election, regardless  
 of who was elected.

"Everyone bring something," said the  
 bartender, "so we'll have a real blow-  
 out."

So the Bulgarian brought his glass  
 and the Scotchman brought his brother.

A big stout woman came in and  
 crowded in heads a man in a bus seat.  
 No sooner was she seated than she  
 began to try and get her face out of  
 the pocket of her cloak. After she had  
 worked without effect for some time,  
 she finally said: "Maybe I'd better pay  
 your fare."

This made the lady mad, and she  
 began to dig harder than ever for her  
 time. A few moments later her friend  
 said again: "Lady, I must that you let  
 me pay your fare. You have already  
 unbuttoned any suspender three  
 times!"

## SCHOOL CHOIRS BROADCAST NEW WORLD BALLADS



The Canadian Broadcasting Commission is about to enter upon a novel experiment which has as its purpose the interesting of Canadian children in ballads. It will do this by broadcasting to their own country. This will take the form of a series of five broadcasts based on John Murray Gibbon's recently published book "New World Ballads". The broadcasts will take place on successive Friday evenings beginning January 26 between the hours of 7 to 7:30 eastern standard time, and will be heard from eleven stations covering the entire country.

Three of the programmes will originate in Toronto and the balance will be illustrated by a group of girl singers picked from Toronto high schools and singing under the direction of Len R. Bell, Director of Music, Ontario Council of Education, University of Toronto.

The balance of the programme will originate in Montreal with ballads sung by the Weill High School, a group of girls from Weill High School. This choir is under the direction of Irvy Jagger, Supervisor of Music for the Protestant Board of School Commissioners in the City of Montreal, and lecturer at McGill Conservatory of Music. An interesting feature of the experiment is that school children in Ontario have been instructed to "listen in" as part of their home work, and it is expected that in other provinces the same action may be taken.

The attention of the school-children of Quebec Province is also being drawn by Dr. W. P. Percival, Director of Protestant Education to these broadcasts in the interests of school and community singing. One picture shows the Montreal choir, and the lower picture the Toronto choir.